MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. On February 12, 2007 at 10:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as can be heard, the Department of Environmental Quality shall hold a public hearing in Room 111 of the Metcalf Building, 1520 E. 6th Avenue, Helena, Montana, to take public comment regarding the proposed inclusion of a declaration of no impact regarding interstate transport of PM-2.5 emissions into Montana's State Implementation Plan (SIP).
- 2. The Clean Air Act requires that, following the promulgation of a new ambient air quality standard, each State must submit a control program which "contains adequate provisions— (i) prohibiting . . . any source or other type of emissions activity within the State from emitting any air pollutant in amounts which will:
 - I. contribute significantly to non-attainment in, or interfere with maintenance by, any other State with respect to such national primary or secondary ambient air quality standard, or
 - II. interfere with measures required to be included in the applicable implementation plan for any other State under part C to prevent significant deterioration of air quality or to protect visibility,"

EPA requires states to submit declarations regarding this requirement of the Clean Air Act. The declaration sets forth Montana's determination that no PM-2.5 emissions from sources within the state cause or contribute to NAAQS violations or interfere with visibility or major source control plans in another state.

3. Interested parties may review copies of this declaration at the following locations:

Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Airport Industrial Park IP-9, 1371 Rimtop Drive, Billings, MT 59105-1978;

Montana Department of Environmental Quality, Air Resource Management Bureau, Metcalf Bldg., 1520 E. Sixth Ave, Helena, MT 59620-0901;

Missoula City-County Health Department, 301 West Alder Street, Missoula, MT 59802;

Custer County Sanitarian office, Custer County Courthouse, 1010 Main Street, Miles City, MT 59301; or

Cascade City-County Health Department, 114 4th Street South, Great Falls, MT 59405.

- 4. Interested persons may also view the declaration on the Department's website at http://www.deq.mt.gov/meetings.asp.
- 5. The State of Montana makes reasonable accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with a person's ability to participate in state government proceedings. Persons needing accommodation must notify Debra Wolfe by calling 406-444-7916 no later than 5:00 p.m., February 7, 2007 to allow adequate time to arrange reasonable accommodation.
- 6. Interested persons may submit their data, views, or arguments regarding the declaration at the hearing. Written data, views, or arguments may also be submitted to Debra Wolfe by mail at: P.O. Box 200901, Helena, Montana 59620-0901, by fax at: 406-444-1499, or by e-mail at dwolfe@mt.gov. All written comments must be received no later than close of hearing, February 12, 2007.